

REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated August 28, 2006. Applicant has amended claims 3, 4, 7, 14-17, 20, 23, 41-42, 47-49, 59, 61, 64, 68, 76 and 79. Applicant has cancelled rejected claims 1, 2, 5, 8-10, 12, 13, 18, 22, 24, 39, 40, 45, 46, 58, 60, 62, 63, 67, 69-75, 77-78 and 80 and non-elected claims 25-38, 52-57, 65, 66, 81, and 82. Applicant has also cancelled claims 6, 11, 19, 21, 43, 44, 50 and 51 for reasons explained below.

Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's comments regarding Information Disclosure Statements submitted by Applicant. Applicant believes that these submissions are consistent with the guidelines set forth in MPEP 2004.

Applicant has amended the title to this application to be clearly descriptive, and to be indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed. Applicant has amended the title to read "Interactive First Aid Information System". Applicant has declined to adopt the title suggested by the Examiner, "Interactive First Aid Defibrillation" because some of the claims in this application do not include defibrillation.

To expedite passage of this case to issue, Applicant has chosen to cancel rejected and non-elected claims and to amend dependent claims with allowable subject matter which were based on a rejected claim to place them in independent form.

To reduce the number of independent claims in view of excess claim fees, Applicant has placed subject matters of the last-listed elements of allowable claims 6 and 11 into allowable claim 4 (re-written in independent form) as alternatives for the last-listed step using the language: "at least one step selected from the group consisting of: summoning emergency medical personnel as a function of the selection, delivering an electrotherapy to a patient, and generating an alarm as a function of the selection". In a similar manner, Applicant has included subject matters of allowable claims 19 and 21 into allowable claim 17; subject matters of allowable claims 43 and 44 into allowable claim 42; and subject matters of allowable claims 50 and 51 into allowable claim 49. Claims 6, 11, 19, 21, 43, 44, 50 and 51 have been cancelled in view of this.

Claims 7 and 20 have been amended to change their dependencies in view of the cancellations of claims 6 and 19 respectively.

This places all claims that remain in the case in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

All claims in this application are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt allowance of all pending claims. Form PTO/SB/06 showing the calculation of excess claim fees is submitted herewith. Please charge the excess claim fees of \$800.00 required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(h) to Deposit Account No. 13-2546. Please charge any additional fees required to process this Amendment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2546.

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